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In re Application of: )  
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Wolfgang NEIFER ) Group Art Unit: 2131  
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Application No.: 09/936,615 ) Examiner: To Be Assigned  
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For: METHOD OF SECURING DATA IN )  
PORTABLE MASS MEMORY )  
AGAINST UNAUTHORIZED )  
DUPLICATION )

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.115

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.115, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please **AMEND** claims 1-21 as follows:

1. A method of securing data on portable mass storage comprising:
- a) storing data in scrambled form on said mass storage;
  - b) storing a personal identity code for an authorized user on at least one SAM module for secured access by said authorized user, wherein said at least one SAM module is comprised in a replay system;

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